

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP 1746 PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q79225

Hiroki MIZUNO, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/748,163

Group Art Unit: 1746

Confirmation No.: 6960

Examiner: Joseph L. Perrin

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For: BALL/ROLLER BEARING CLEANING METHOD AND APPARATUS THEREOF

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

MAIL STOP AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 9, 2006—the period for response having been extended to May 9, 2006 by an appropriate petition and check filed herewith—please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.